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Federal aid coming

Frustration grows among victims of river erosion

AT LEAST one Carmel Valley homeowner losing land to river erosion came out in support of a long-term flood control program this week after expressing frustration about the limited county aid he has been able to obtain.

John Darch, a 14-year resident of 27600 Schulte Rd., said he wouldn't mind having a taxing district to pay for riverbank protection and at one point said concrete embankments might be needed to control erosion.

Darch has lost 70 feet of land since January and the river has advanced to within five or six feet of a carport on the property.

The frustration was aggravated by watching private contractors, paid by the county, dump tons of rip-rap and river jacks across the way at three homes threatened along Fawn Court, where two backyard swimming pools once 50 to 70 feet from the bank are now perched precariously on the edge of a 30-foot bluff above the water.

"I don't begrudge them any of the help they're getting," Darch said. "I just feel they (county officials) aren't doing anything for us. They spent 12 to 14 days there and six or seven hours here."

The county did give the Darch family and the neighbors material to construct 10 river jacks, but there is further undercutting of the bank behind the jacks and Darch said they did little good.

He would like the county to move bulldozers into the riverbed and redirect the channel into the middle of the bed and away from his home.

County Flood Control District Engineer Loran Bunte Jr. said that the county "won't do any channelizing" as general policy and because of uncertain effects on downstream properties.

The Public Works and Parks Departments did bank and channel work at Garland Park, clearing a sandbar and rebuilding the bank on the park side of the river. But Bunte emphasized that this was not a flood control district project, but rather it stemmed from "an agreement between two landowners," although both of them are county entities.

Bunte said the county also is unwilling to do spot bank protection. "It doesn't do any good to have protection in just a few isolated spots," he said.

Under a directive from the Board of Supervisors, his department is studying how it might set up a "zone of benefit" for riverbank maintenance and protection in the Valley. He also will have recommendations on the matter when it comes back before the board.

Bunte noted that in the late 1950s, a similar "zone of benefit" was proposed when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had a $100,000 grant available to do bank protection work. But landowners were unwilling to pay for work costs beyond the $100,000.

There presently is no entity which could assess taxes on riverfront landowners for continual bank maintenance.

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DOUGLAS DESPARD Jr., president of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association, said his organization has not looked into the idea of a zone of benefit. He said if association members requested it, the group would make an investigation.

The county still has funds in a $750,000 debris-clearing grant from the state Department of Water Resources which could be used to aid landowners whose property is threatened.

The federal government also has assistance available following the declaration of a countywide disaster area Monday. Small Business Administration loans are available to homeowners on a long-term, low-interest basis to pay for structures lost or some costs of protection work. Farms and ranches affected by flooding can get loans from the Farmers Home Administration.

There also is a grant program available for individuals not eligible under other programs which can provide up to $5,000. Applicants must qualify under all the programs.

Bill Tibbits, of the county administrative staff, said a disaster office should be opened in Salinas in "several days," as soon as federal officials can get one organized.

Supervisor Sam Farr of Carmel said it will be a "one-stop center for disaster relief."

Up in the air

KNIEVEL-INSPIRED kids from Carmel have been having a grand time after school riding their bicycles down slopes at a nearby gravel pit. It is situated near Highway 1 and Carmel Valley Road. The youthful daredevils, like Bill Kettelkamp (above), place a plywood sheet on the inclines, gather speed on their bikes and hit the ramp pulling up on the front wheel. They do some flying and some falling. See photographer Michael Stang's essay on pages 8 and 9.

Supervisors ask Cal-Am for disclosure

THE MONTEREY COUNTY Board of Supervisors split 3-2, but voted Tuesday to seek a detailed statement from the California-American Water Co. about all its existing water commitments before new meters are permitted on the Monterey Peninsula.

The supervisors voted to write the State Public Utilities Commission asking that the information be made public. It would be the first time such information would be public.

The PUC has scheduled a May 1 hearing at 10 a.m. in the Seaside City Council chambers on a Cal-Am petition to end the three-year moratorium on new water connections ordered by the PUC.

Zone 11 Water Advisory Committee already has sent an identical letter to the commission. Both letters were urged by Supervisor Sam Farr of Carmel, who said the county needs to know what existing lots have been promised Cal-Am water before any new lots are created.

County Health Director Walter Wong, who is responsible for assuring adequate water supplies in the county, said he is unable to do so for the Cal-Am service area because its commitments have never been disclosed.

Water companies with less than 200 hookups must provide his office with that information, but Cal-Am is governed by the PUC.

"I have to know how much water is already committed," Wong told the board. "If I don't get the information, water shortages and rationing will occur in the future."

County Fire Marshal Tom Perkins also warned that required minimum flows in fire hydrants were not met by Cal-Am last summer. He questioned what the impact would be on the fire-fighting water supply if new subdivisions go in and draw more water off for residential purposes.

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CARL HOOPER, a civil engineer who has represented developers before the board in the past, argued on behalf of a group called Concerned Citizens for Water. He said the letter was unnecessary because Cal-Am will have enough water to meet all foreseeable needs on the Peninsula for years.

"Cal-Am does have the capability of producing water, enough to provide for a 40 to 50 per cent increase in the number of families served," Hooper said. "I feel this board should be aware that there is ample water capacity available and it should quit worrying about that as a reason to deny creation of new housing."

Hooper said the drilling of three new deep wells in the Carmel Valley last year and the near-completion of the Rancho Canada pipeline and the Begonia iron removal plant has assured delivery of 23,000 acre-feet of water per year.

With Cal-Am directors approving four new wells and another iron removal plant last week at a cost of $2.8 million, Hooper said the utility will be able to produce enough water for another 7,000 to 10,000 families.

"It seems the last four or five years, water problems on the Peninsula have been used as a tool to control growth," Hooper said. "This board should really be worried about

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under the oaks and among the cacti

by Mildred Hatton

A WEDDING in May is planned by Marijane Hermanson and Jason Johnson, who will exchange vows at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula.

May wedding date

Engagement of Johnson, Hermanson is told

Among the pre-nuptial parties honoring Marijane Hermanson and Jason Johnson was a barbecue last weekend at the home of the parents of the bride-to-be, Lt. Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Jack Hermanson.

Members of the wedding party met at the Hermanson home on Rancho Road following a shopping trip with Marijane and her bridal attendants to select their gowns. The men accompanied Jack and Jason to fittings for their wedding attire.

Guests included Debbie Uppham, Tracy Martin, Nancy Cunningham, Laurie Stone, Susie Hermanson, Parker Johnson, Vince Cardinalli, Jim Challis, Doug Steiny and Brian Hermanson.

The couple recently disclosed plans for a spring wedding at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula May 6.

Marijane attended local schools and graduated from Carmel High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Johnson, who resided in the Valley for 20 years before moving to Sonoma, are parents of the groom-to-be. Jason graduated from Carmel High School and Monterey Peninsula College. He and Marijane will make their home in Sonoma, where they are associates of his parents in the restaurant business.

Garden group to host flower show

"How Green Is Our Valley" is the theme selected for the post-drought 1978 Flower Show to be sponsored in May by the Carmel Valley Garden Association.

Rosemary Roberts, Fran Sweeney and Mary Jernegan, who are spearheading the show committee, invite everyone to begin thinking of potted entries and to prime their cut flowers with award-winning arrangements in mind.

The club will meet Thursday at 8 p.m. in the multipurpose room at Tularcitos School. Mrs. John (Betty) Woolfenden will moderate a group discussion of local garden problems. Everyone is invited to attend what promises to be an informative meeting with an update on plans for the Spring Flower Show.

Spring rummage sale scheduled March 31

Bargain seekers, always eager to mark their calendars with the date of the St. Dunstan's annual spring rummage sale, take pen in hand and circle March 31 and Arpil 1, says Clare Applebee, chairman of the benefit.

Quality recycled items are being priced to attract the thrifty shopper. The snack bar is open each day from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for your convenience.

Wrestlers honored at banquet

Mr. and Mrs. Sabastian Bordonaro hosted the annual post-season awards banquet for the Carmel High School wrestling team last week at their home on Outlook Drive.

Clint Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Wilson of Carmel Valley, was tapped for the Most Valuable Varsity Wrestler Award. In addition to being team captain, Clint had an outstanding individual season, winning 10 of 12 dual meet matches and taking first place in the Mission Trail Athletic League Tournament. Clint also placed high in two other mid-season tournaments and advanced to the Central Coast Section of statewide tournament competition.

Other awards were presented to Matt Bordonaro, Most Valuable Junior Varsity Matman; Wes Farr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Farr of the Double H Ranch, was named Most Improved Varsity Wrestler and Paul Salmonsen of Carmel was voted the Most Improved Junior Varsity Wrestler.

Certificates of participation were awarded all Padre team members and their student manager, Laura Salmonsen.

Dunstan bridge group hosts out of town guests

Out of town guests joined the regular players at the St. Dunstan's benefit bridge and canasta party whose theme and decor centered around a tribute to George Washington. Former resident Ethel Stanisford, now of San Luis Obispo, and two guests, from the Midwest, Phoebe Severson and Ann Zimmerman, were welcomed by hostesses Ruth Wade, Irma Bolgard and Dorothea Edwards who assisted Kathryn Walker at her home on Flight Road.

Table cloths alternating red, white or blue were centered with lovely camelias grown by John Augustitus. Driftwood gathered by Kathryn last summer near Crescent City held miniature cherry trees which were awarded as table prizes.

Winners, according to the scores on Washington silhouette tallies, were: Dorthey Mecklenberg, Carlyle Mothersill, Marie Wilder, Ann Werdleman, Mary Young, Millie Grant, Novella Nicholson, Dorothy Gonzenbach, Dorothy de Smithers, Ann Melching, Kathryn Walker and Jean Stekly.

First and second place in bridge went to Marie Wilder and Ethel Stanisford. The canasta highs were won by Ann Werdleman and Mary Walls.

Reservations are invited for the March 29 party. Please phone your table count to Kathryn, 659-2280.

Auction d'Elegance scheduled on April 8

Members of the Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce are contacting local artists and merchants for donations to their second Annual Auction d'Elegance which will take place Saturday, April 8, at Rancho Canada Golf and Country Club.

Proceeds from the silent auction will benefit the Carmel Valley Fire Department, the Mid-Valley Fire Department, the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center and the chamber.

Tickets are now on sale at Valley banks, savings and loan offices and the chamber headquarters in the Oaks Building. Tickets are $5.

Youth Center plans benefit barbecue

A steak barbecue is planned by the Carmel Valley Community Youth Group at the Ford Road center on Saturday, March 18, at 6:30 p.m. It is open to both adults and young people. Donations of $5 assure the ticket holder of a steak, baked potato, beans and all the trimmings. Tickets are available from Valley businesses or at the door.

Youth advisor Rudy Lamar described last week's barbecue and dance "as a successful way of letting the teenagers know that the center is open five days a week excluding Wednesday." He estimated a crowd of 200 attended the dance. Music was provided by Caribou, a soft rock group made up of Valley musicians including Andy Parsons, Chris Murphy, Garth Hattan, John Harbert and Sean McLaughlin.

Dance chairman Barry Culbert and committee members Rozalyn Tucker, Roger Pilmore and Tod Pilmore would like to thank the chaperones — Nancy Hardisty, Rudy Lamar, Joe Chaplis and Larry Gardner — and the "chefs," Mr. and Mrs. Roger Pilmore.

Academic honors for Valley trio

Three UC Davis students from Carmel Valley have been named to the dean's list.

Two College of Letters and Science students with undeclared majors were named: sophomore Olav Grinde and freshman Thomas Michael Moore.

Junior entomology major James Bruce Walsh also was listed. All are Carmel High School graduates.

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One opinion

Water expert's plan for Carmel River dam

By EDWIN B. LEE

I wholeheartedly endorse the proposal to divert water stored in the dam into the water mains near the mouth of the Carmel River. The year-round flows so provided would benefit not only the steelhead, but the human inhabitants and the riparian vegetation in the lower Carmel Valley. I also support the request from the State Fish and Game Department to provide additional downstream flows for steelhead spawning migrations, for the fishermen during the steelhead season, and for carrying the fish back to the ocean at the times and in the amounts prescribed by the Fish and Game Department. But, I support the latter only to the extent that the prescribed flows are available as input to the dam reservoir at the times the releases are requested. Having the river flows bypass the dam for the benefit of the fish and the fishermen is not unreasonable.

However, providing storage to guarantee the prescribed fish releases, whether or not the natural flow of the river would provide such flows, is unreasonable as a mitigation measure.

The 38,000 acre-feet storage proposed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to provide a firm yield of from 22,000 to 27,000 acre-feet for fish flow releases would raise the cost of a small dam astronomically. Such storage is nearly twice as great as the storage capacity I propose for human water supply. I don't believe the taxpayers or water consumers will be willing to pay for it with the consequence that we will have no new dam at all.

If no dam is built and the future needs of the Peninsula are met solely by extracting more water from the Carmel Valley aquifer, the future of the steelhead fishery is bleak.

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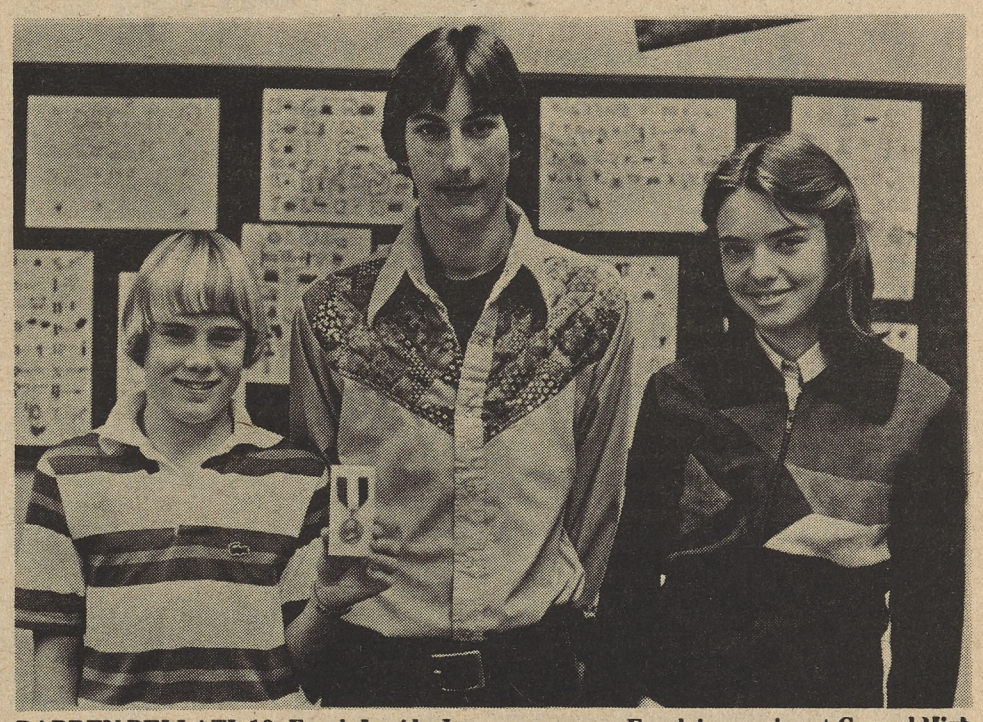
A MORE damaging effect on the steelhead has not been previously discussed. It frequently happens that a brief storm will provide sufficient flow to lure steelhead from the ocean into the river and to carry fingerlings downstream. The flow may then decrease to only a few hundred feet per second. In the past, the migrating fish would simply lie in the deeper holes awaiting the next rain to proceed on their journey. In the future, those minor flows will be absorbed by the river bottom until the aquifer has filled. The holes will become dry, leaving the fish to die. The future of the steelhead in the Carmel River without a dam is not promising.

The critical factor in whether or not we are able to build a larger dam on the Carmel River is whether the taxpayers and water customers will underwrite the cost and partially pay for it. My own proposal, which I think is most likely to encourage them to do that, is as follows:

- Construct a larger dam at the San Clemente site with a storage capacity equal to the firm yield of the watershed upstream. This would be about 20,000 acre-feet and would, according to present estimates, cost between $40 million and $50 million. The precise cost must await the engineering design and construction bids.
- Release water from that dam to be diverted into the water mains in the lower Carmel Valley, thus providing a year-round flow in the river.
- Provide for fish releases as prescribed by the Fish and Game Department, but not to exceed the natural flow of the river above the dam at the time of the releases.
- Provide no frills such as additional storage for flood control or guaranteed fish flow releases.
- Provide financing such that the major portion of the cost of the dam would be borne by new customers and-or those who would directly benefit financially from the arrival of the new residents. This could be accomplished by means of a hookup charge not to exceed an average of $6,000 per new family. (Assume, for example, that a $50 million dam were financed with a 40-year general obligation bond at 6 per cent, a $6,000 hookup charge were imposed and a 1.5 per cent population growth rate were experienced. The average cost per existing customer would be about $20 per year the first year and would decline to nothing in 15 years.)
- Develop new wells in the lower Carmel Valley aquifer to provide the additional 5,000 acre-feet per year the PUC has stated is available.
- Mitigate the erosion and other damage caused by exporting water from Carmel Valley by irrigating along the river.

(Editor's note: Edwin B. Lee is a member of the Zone 11 Water Advisory Board. Last month, the advisory board voted on a motion from Lee that urged construction of a new dam on the Carmel River. He lives in Carmel.)

Citizenship honors



DARREN BELLATI, 13, Frank Lucido Jr., 17, and Carol Heiland, 13, (left to right) are the three Carmel recipients of the Good Citizen Award presented by the Daughters of the American Revolution in a recent ceremony. Frank is a senior at Carmel High School and Darren and Carol are eighth graders at Carmel Middle School. Students were chosen on the basis of leadership, ability and character. (John Esaki photo)

Favored Salinas area

Norris' revamp of commission killed

Monterey County supervisors rejected Tuesday what was called a politically motivated attempt to alter the composition of the County Planning Commission. The plan by Supervisor Edwin Norris of Salinas would rotate one membership on the commission so his Salinas district would gain an additional vote on the body. It was tabled after the board appeared ready to reject the move on a 3-2 vote.

The commission now has nine members, two from each supervisorial district, but the urban Salinas district has only one representative.

Accusations leveled during the public hearing included one that the plan would be a way to remove environmentalist Charmain Gruchett of North County from the board.

Supervisor Sam Farr of Carmel said no analysis of the benefits of the change had been presented, although Norris said it was in the interests of fair representation for all citizens of the county.

But Farr pointed out that Norris's Second District has the fewest residents in unincorporated portions of the county and that the First, Fifth and Fourth Districts generate more planning business which requires the expertise of district residents.

Farr said the real issue is that "Monterey County has a complex geography with high real estate values and a lot of high expectations of how that real estate should be used in the future."

"Personalities aside," he told the board, "we have an urgent problem before the county."

Public groups speaking out against the proposed change included the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association, the Monterey Peninsula Audubon Society and the Ventana chapter of the Sierra Club.

Arguments against the plan centered on the assertion districts with large populations outside city limits would be underrepresented in planning matters.

Supervisor Michal Moore of Monterey said he would favor expanding the commission to 10 members, but Norris opposed that suggestion.

Supervisors stall on water study

The Monterey County Board of Supervisors Tuesday left open the question of hiring a consultant for a $5,000 study of possible solutions to Peninsula water problems.

Selection of a consultant or consultants was put in the hands of Flood Control District Engineer Loran Bunte Jr., although the board had received an offer from geologist John Logan to do the study.

The board authorized the study last year.

Logan, in the outline of his proposal, said he would discuss all possible solutions to the water supply problem; give cost breakdowns for each; list their advantages and disadvantages; state the relative practicality of the solutions; and say what additional information would be needed to give a full analysis of all practical alternatives.

Logan said he would base the study on California-American Water Co.'s reaching its authorized capacity of 22,000 acre-feet and on demand for water being limited to the present Cal-Am service area.

Bunte may use Logan or he could choose other individuals to do the research work.

No date was set for the study to be delivered to the supervisors.

Water promises

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creation of new housing to take care of the housing needs of the people of this county."

He also said it would be an "impossible task" to identify all the lots of record which have been promised water connections, as the letter requests.

But Farr said this could be determined by looking at the assessment books for parcels which have been given lower assessments because of the water meter moratorium, checking their zoning and finding out the maximum number of residential or commercial units which could be serviced.

Supervisor Edwin Norris of Salinas said he had some questions about the exact wording of the letter and opposed it on those grounds. He was joined by Supervisor Kenneth Blohm.

Joining Farr in asking for the letter were board members Dusan Petrovic and Michal Moore.

Letters

Our water

Dear Editor:

What do the Carmel Valley areas around Schulte Road, Farm Center, Scarlett Road and Garland Ranch Park have in common? They are the areas that have been hardest hit by riverbank erosion.

What else do they have in common? They are the areas where California-American Water Co. has its huge wells.

Coincidence? Not likely. These wells over the years have sucked the water table so low each summer and fall that riverbank growth has died, leaving nothing to hold the soil when the river is running high. This has been happening for years, long before the recent drought. Hell, they've sucked our private wells dry so we can't water our own riverbanks, then they put us on rationing so we can't use their water to do it.

Although Cal-Am may have bought the rights to the surface water of Carmel River, there is serious doubt that they have the legal right to pump our underground water for distribution and sale out of Carmel Valley.

It's high time that the owners of Carmel Valley band together to determine what their rights to the underground water are and to determine if those rights have been infringed on.

Persons interested in a joint action to explore what can be done to stop our water from being commercially exploited, resulting in the killing of our trees, the erosion of our property, and the drying of our private wells, please call 624-5091.

It's our water; let's keep it!

John Darch
Carmel Valley

Okay, Mabel

Dear Editor:

Good show, Mabel! You're proving able to engender opposition to the Marriott convention hotel in the Carmel Valley.

But a word of advice. When you say that Marriott is a "monstrous machination," your words are a bit emotional and verbose. "Machination," according to Webster, is a crafty scheme intended to accomplish an evil end. True, but it's facts we need if Marriott's to be cast adrift.

For example: A supervisor who votes for Marriott is voting to increase county taxes. The enormity of the Marriott complex will require additional deputies for traffic control and security, more firemen and equipment, ad nauseam. All requiring county taxpayers to pungle up more dollars to support a tourist-intensive development that provides nothing for the residents of the county — except, perhaps, a new restaurant that we need like a hole in the head.

Play that on your zither, Mabel, and spread the word. Marriott offers nothing to we the people — except to those among us who take masochistic delight in paying taxes.

R. L. Tevis
Carmel

Retired angler finds fortune in earthworms

'This is dynamite,' says an enthusiastic Jim Guillet, 71, who raises them for money

By KEN PETERSON

WHEN JIM GUILLET retired from the irrigation systems business in 1972, he was ready for a life of leisure by Lake Oroville, fishing and taking it easy.

But friends would drop by to fish with him, and keeping himself and his buddies supplied with worms for bait cost him $200 one year.

Worm castings are touted as a gift to tillers of the soil

"That's when I decided to go into the worm business," he says with a smile.

The decision has led the 71-year-old Carmel Valley resident into vermiculture full time. He founded and heads Worm-Gro Farms of Salinas. He will not reveal its gross income, but says worm farming has "the potential of being a lucrative business." He has set up 58 independent worm farmers in Monterey, San Benito and Santa Clara Counties and markets more than 15 million worms a year as bait, for research studies and agricultural uses.

Worm farming has grown from a backyard hobby into a major agricultural industry grossing more than $10 million in California in 1976, according to the California Farm Bureau.

But while much of the business thus far has been in the sale of the worms themselves, Guillet is moving into the sale of nutrient-rich worm "castings" as a prime source of fertilizer.

As the worms go about doubling their population every three months, they create roughly their weight in excretions or castings each day. These castings are full of the nitrates, phosphates and potash used in quality fertilizers.

As Guillet points out, the castings also are clean and odor-free. Sold by his firm as Worm-Gro Organic Earthworm Castings, wood bark is blended with the castings to make a mulch and plant food.

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CASTINGS have been drawing rave reviews from gardeners, organic and otherwise, according to Guillet. He says they like castings because: they are rich in nutrients but will not burn plant roots; they hold water better than potting mixes or soil and thus need less water; and they give out nutrients on a "time release" basis for five years or more.

"We have a passion flower vine at my house which had done a little growing before we used castings," he says. "When we worked the castings into the soil, that one stalk took off and it now covers all three back walls. And another one in the front of the house is trying to grow into the back."

Guillet also cites reports of increased fruit and vegetable yield from plants grown in castings.

Guillet even uses Charles Darwin as a source on the worth of earthworms. "Earthworm castings are a gift to the tillers of the soil and the peoples of the earth," Worm-Gro promotional literature quotes the famed naturalist as having said.

Worms will eat almost any organic material, but commercial growers feed them cow manure with additional protein supplements at regular intervals.

Worm-Gro Farms literature aimed at prospective backyard ranchers claims that a bin of earthworms produces 10 to 15 pounds of worms per month. The population could retail for $20 or $30. And each bin will yield 300 to 400 pounds of castings a year.

At the Worm-Gro Ranch in Salinas, Guillet himself operates only 30 bins, mainly, he says, to show visitors what a worm farming operation looks like. And he gets visitors from throughout California and even out of state.

Many of the people who drop by are older, retired people, according to Guillet.

"This is dynamite," he said. "They tell me after they start farming that it adds to their living."

He and his assistants also have a small group of experimental bins where they test different food and moisture combinations on the worms to improve production.

Although he is making a good living from his enterprise, Guillet cautions that anyone thinking of becoming a worm farmer "should not expect it takes no work and can't expect to become a millionaire. There is a lot of work and there are problems."

JIM GUILLET digs for a forkful of earthworms at his worm ranch in Salinas. The retired irrigation system salesman, now 71, lives in Carmel Valley and heads up Worm-Gro Farms. Worms excrete their weight in "castings" every day and they contain rich nutrients that growers desire. "It's the coming thing," says an enthused Guillet. (Michael Stang photos)

Still, there are success stories. Like the truck driver, retired because of medical disability and forced to go on welfare in 1967 with his wife and six children.

Ronald E. Gaddie Sr., the truck driver from Southern California, bought $20 worth of worms, planning to raise them as a hobby. After 10 years, he is the millionaire president of North American Bait Farms in Ontario, says Guillet.

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THE POTENTIAL for earthworms is increasing because they are being viewed as a way to solve urban solid waste and sewage problems.

The Japanese already have turned an army of earthworms loose on the contaminated sludge from a pulp and paper mill, solving a pollution problem there. And many cities nationwide are taking a look at worms as a less expensive answer to sewage treatment.

One estimate is that 100 tons of worms could process the garbage from a city of 75,000.

The city of Los Angeles gave earthworms a try, too. As an experiment, it shipped seven tons of shredded refuse to a worm ranch. A million worms ate through it in less than a month. With 10 tons of unsorted refuse, it took 78 days.

One estimate puts the cost of a 150-ton per day worm refuse plant at $1.5 million. But the plant would produce 18,000 tons of fertilizer per year, plus 2,500 tons of new earthworms, which wholesale for $1.50 to $6.95 per 1,000 worms.

Jack Collier of San Jose is engaged in a research project right now with the cities of San Jose and Santa Clara, using earthworms to turn a 3.5-acre sewage lagoon — now three inches deep in sludge — into high-quality castings.

Collier began his project in September using a $10,000 National Science Foundation grant — money he was surprised to receive since he is only a backyard worm rancher.

"I was warned in advance that grants usually go to big businesses and research foundations," Collier says. "I don't even have a doctorate. But I guess they size up the project and size up the individual and make their decision."

He has started with a 150-foot-long strip in the sludge pond and 350 pounds of worms. He estimates that if the project is successful and the worms eat their way through the entire lagoon, he could wind up with 10 tons of castings and harvest 700 pounds of worms.

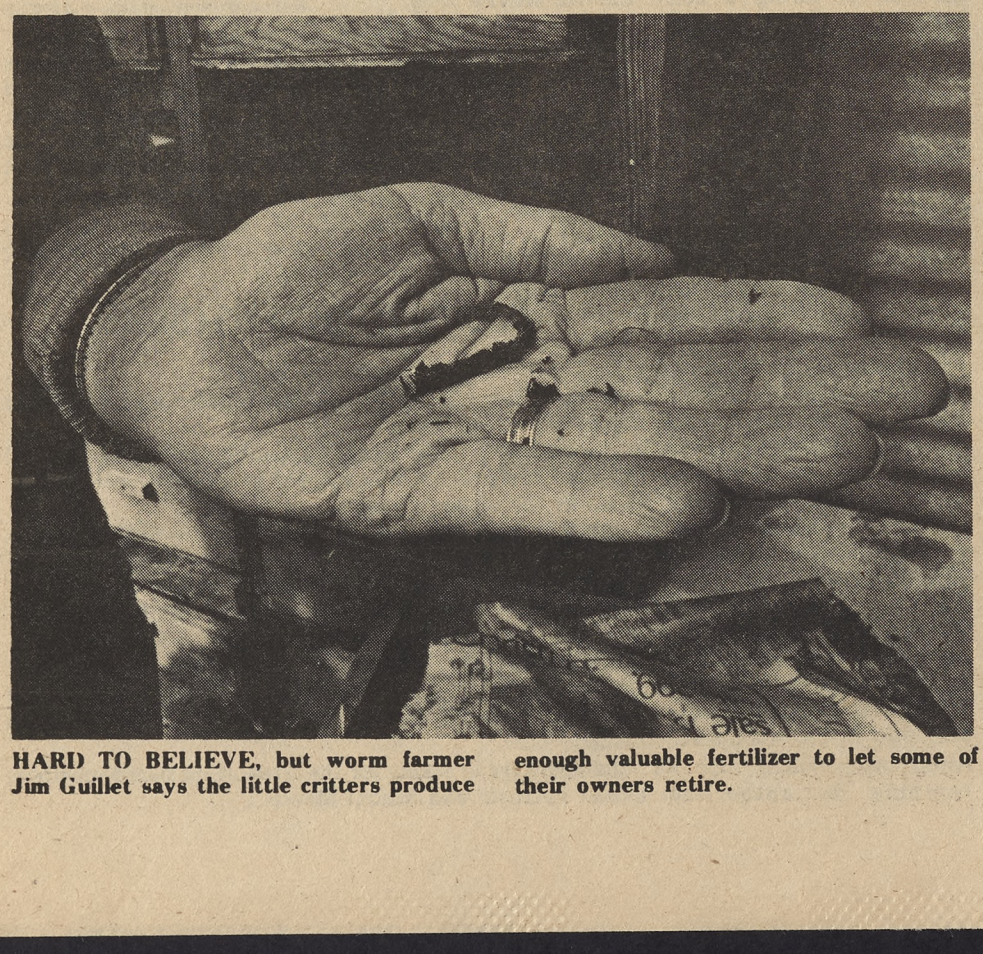
"If the project is adopted and expanded to its maximum capacity, I could handle the entire tonnage of the treatment plant," Collier says. "That would be 40,000 dry tons per year. That's a lot of sludge."

Such a project would enable the cities to keep using the same sewage lagoons, eliminate transportation costs for hauling the dried sludge away, and give Collier a marketable crop of worms and castings.

Collier will ask for a second-year NSF grant of $15,000 to $17,000 to continue the experiment.

Guillet sells his castings through mail orders and in garden and department stores.

"It's the coming thing," he says.



HARD TO BELIEVE, but worm farmer Jim Guillet says the little critters produce enough valuable fertilizer to let some of their owners retire.

Carmel trustees told

Pupils getting more of 'basics'

By KEN PETERSON

CLASSROOM emphasis on basic writing skills is increasing, administrators assured the Carmel Unified School District board of education last week.

"If the question is: 'Are we increasing our effort to improve writing,' the answer is 'yes,' " Superintendent Harris Taylor said at the Feb. 28 meeting of the board.

"We have seen a need. The pressure has been on for the last couple years and we're seeing results. The chance of a student getting through Middle School without learning grammar is remote," Taylor said.

Board members themselves expressed satisfaction with the curriculum plan it adopted for the Middle School at the same meeting. Earlier in February, several parents had criticized Carmel educators for failing to teach children basic subjects. The comments came as the trustees examined the proposed curriculum outline for the 1978-79 school term.

Questions from board members and the audience led the school administrators to say that writing assignments at Carmel High School are up an average of 25 per cent; that Middle School students spend more minutes in the classroom — and more time studying academic subjects — than their counterparts do in neighboring public or private schools; and that changes in college admission tests and state high school graduation requirements will put more pressure on students to become proficient in English.

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WHILE THE high school will have only a three-year English requirement, Principal Dan Stevenson said of the top 50 students, 44 had taken either seven or eight semesters of English. Of these students, 39 per cent scored above the level on college entrance exams where "bonehead" English is required of entering freshmen. The national average is 24 per cent.

Assistant Principal Paul Sheckler said the Hart Bill, which set minimum competency requirements for high school graduation, will encourage students to take English composition courses to be assured they graduate. The Scholastic Aptitude Test, a standardized nationwide college entrance exam, also is requiring a writing sample now, he said, giving the district an objective way of measuring its students' learning.

He said English teachers at Carmel High School would like to require additional writing courses for students they believe need more drilling.

Sheckler told the trustees that students write one composition every two weeks in their freshman English class and six compositions per semester at the sophomore level.

"This should be enough, if the students do the assignments," he added.

Assistant Superintendent Bob Whitehead pointed out that "teachers are telling us the least their students do, not the most. The range is great."

Whitehead said the high school "lay reader" program — where the district hires aides to read compositions for content and grammar and to take some of the burden off teachers — has led to a "quantitative and qualitative" improvement in writing assignments.

He said teachers are assigning 25 per cent more writing assignments than before.

Sheckler said the course of study has detailed "the minimum expectations of teachers. Now we've got to pin down the minimum expectations of students."

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THE ONLY criticism of the curriculum came from Trustee Elizabeth R. Bell, who argued unsuccessfully for a four-year English requirement with compulsory composition work.

"I've given a lot of thought to this," she said Friday on the telephone. "I'm planning to write a paper for the board. Even for this fall I think we must move toward this."

Board President Pamela D. Smith called the end product "an awfully good curriculum. This is not to say we have one which can't be improved. It's a really good basic curriculum. And we are, and always have been, a basic skills-oriented district.

"We have a curriculum which meets all of the different kinds of needs for all different kinds of kids," she added. "Some of them won't go on to college, although 80 per cent of our graduates do."

She said while there has been criticism of the district program, it often comes from parents who may have problems with their own child.

"They don't take a look at the broad picture," Mrs. Smith said.

But, in a recent survey of Middle School parents, she said a large number answered the questionnaire and they were "overwhelmingly favorable" to the education their children were receiving. And Principal Bob Hufford told the board Feb. 28 that Middle School students spend 330 to 385 minutes in class, 165 to 220 in academic subjects. This is well above comparable private and public schools in the Peninsula area, he said.

Tristee Clayton B. Neill Jr. said he believes "we are doing a lot better job than parents realize."

Trustee Richard T. Wilsdon said the improvement in basic learning skills began eight years ago in the lower grades. He said he is satisfied with the job the district is doing.

Trustee Frances R. Gaver noted that the district also tries to identify students in lower grades who might have learning difficulties so remedial programs can be found for them. "We won't send everyone to Harvard, but I think this individual approach is one of the strengths of the Carmel district," she said.

26 local students earn straight As during term at MPC

A TOTAL OF 26 students from Carmel, Carmel Valley and Big Sur earned straight As during the fall term at Monterey Peninsula College. They were listed with "highest honors" on the dean's list.

"High honors" were given to scores of other students from the area for grade-point averages between 3.9 and 3.5.

"Honors" represented grade-point averages of 3.4 to 3.0.

Local names on the honor roll include:

Highest Honors

CARMEL — Linda J. Arriola, Cindy S. Booty, Lynn D. Borucki, Stephen N. Clough, James J. Grinsted, Ann R. Guenther, Chris K. Hedlund, Thomas J. Jenkins, Susan M. Kovalenko and David E. Metz.

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CARMEL VALLEY — Suzanne E. Berry, Kenneth B. Conklin, Tomika A. Dew, Chris C. Hopkins, M. Claire Stewart and Patricia K. Warner.

BIG SUR — Carol R. Hartman.

High Honors

CARMEL — Annie H. Atherton, Maria E. Calcagno, Laurette A. Courreault, Curtis L. Cranston, John T. Daniels, John S. Edmunds, Carole L. Erickson, David P. Frizell Jr., David R. Graham, Katharine A. Harlow, John P. Harnish, Mark B. Jensen, Steve J. Kahn, Angela M. Karadsheh and Dominique L. Kenan.

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CARMEL VALLEY — Patricia Braun, Malcolm H. Colvin Jr., Nancy A. Cunningham, Michael E. Harbert, Joseph C. Hutchinson, Linda M. McGlochlin, Flora J. Pomeroy, John R. Sup, Steven J. Tamagni and Jenny L. Taylor.

BIG SUR — Paul J. Borron.

Honors

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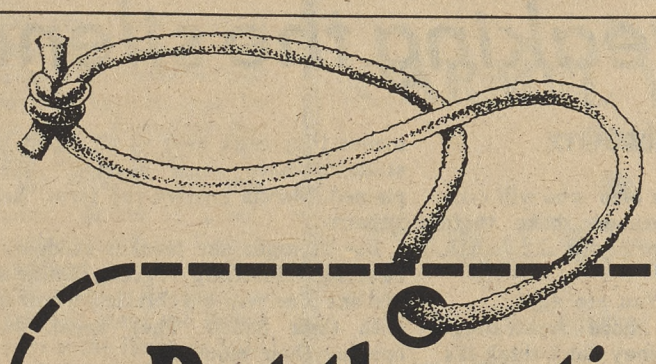
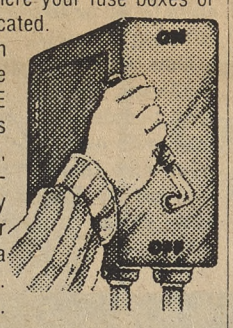
BIG SUR — Michael J. Sutton.



Put these tips and some spare fuses near your fuse box.

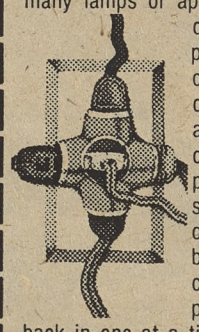
With a flashlight, they may help should your lights go out.

Be Prepared. Know where your fuse boxes or circuit breakers are located. Locate the main switch box—usually near the spot where the PG&E electric service wires connect to your house, or near your PG&E electric meter. Locate any additional fuse box or boxes—usually in a closet or utility room. Keep spare fuses handy.



Check the Neighbors. If your lights should go out, check to see if other homes in your neighborhood have lights. If the power is off in your home only, you may have a blown fuse or tripped circuit breaker.

Determine the Cause. Blown fuses or tripped circuit breakers are often caused by having too many lamps or appliances connected to one outlet or circuit. Another possibility is a defective cord on a lamp or appliance. To check, unplug all lamps or appliances on the affected circuit, looking for defective plugs or cords while doing so. Replace the blown fuse or reset the tripped circuit breaker, following the procedures given below. Then plug each lamp or appliance back in one at a time. A defective one or an overload will cause the fuse to blow, or circuit breaker to trip, again.

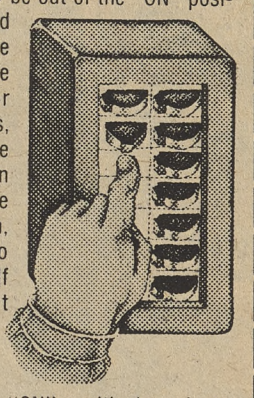


To Replace a Fuse. First turn the main switch to "OFF." Make sure that your hands are dry and that you are standing on a dry surface. Look for the "blown" fuse; the "window" may be blackened, or there may be a visible gap in the fuse element. Replace the blown fuse with one of the proper amperage rating, usually one of not more than 30 amps. Never use a penny or other metal object to "bridge" the blown fuse, as this could cause a house fire. Turn the main switch to "ON." If only part of the lights in the house come on, this may indicate that a circuit breaker has tripped, or a fuse in a branch fuse box has also blown. Check these fuses in the same way you did at the main switch. Branch box fuses have a maximum rating of 15 or 20 amps.

Cartridge Fuses. Be sure the main switch is "OFF" while you are changing cartridge fuses. You won't be able to visually tell exactly which cartridge fuse is blown. In this case, test by

safely replacing each fuse with a new one until you find the blown fuse. Generally it's a good idea to replace all cartridge fuses in a circuit when one blows.

To Reset a Circuit Breaker. A tripped circuit breaker will probably be out of the "ON" position. Move the affected circuit breaker handle all the way to the "OFF" position (for some circuit breakers, a moderate pressure in the "OFF" direction is necessary to cause them to reset). Then, move the handle to the "ON" position. If the affected circuit breaker does not indicate that it has tripped (its handle has not moved from "ON" position), and you do not know which circuit breaker controls the affected circuit, try resetting all circuit breakers.



Some Added Safety Tips. Never plug in electrical appliances near bathtubs or basins. Never wash coffee pots or frying pans while they are

still plugged in. Make sure that electric tools are properly grounded (with a 3-prong plug), or are of the U.L. approved "double-insulated" type. When you unplug an appliance, pull the plug—not the cord.

Still in the Dark? If you've followed all of these procedures and you're still in the dark, don't hesitate to call PG&E. We'll be happy to help.

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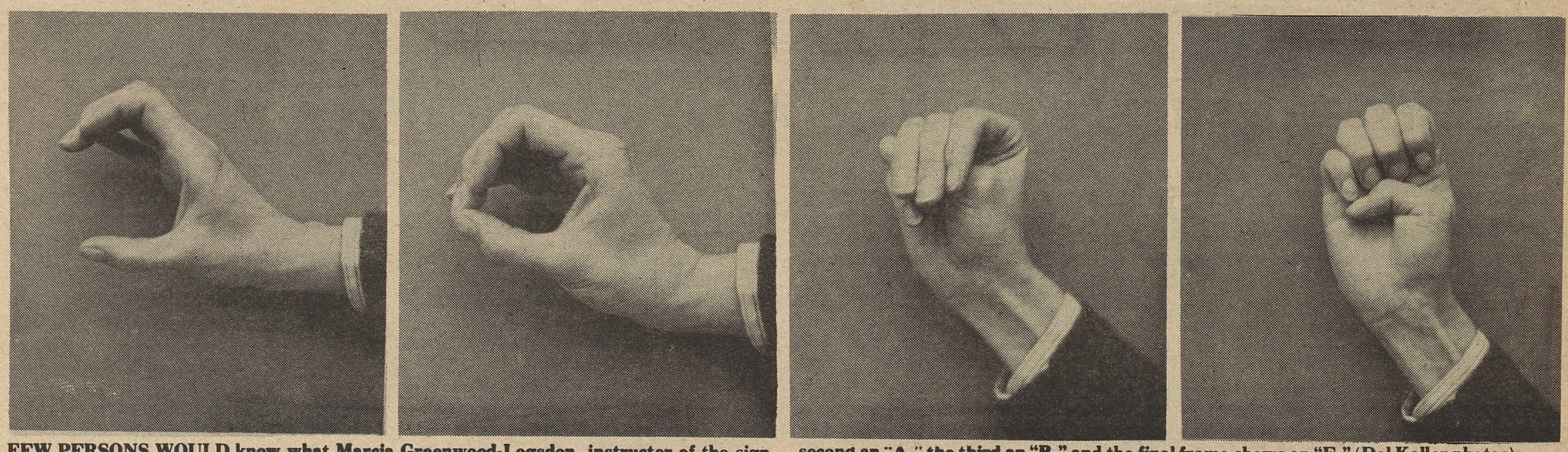

FEW PERSONS WOULD know what Marcia Greenwood-Logsdon, instructor of the sign language course, is expressing here. Starting at the left, the first frame shows a "C," the second an "A," the third an "R," and the final frame shows an "E." (Del Kaller photos)

Unusual Carmel course

Breaking the silence with sign language

By BRUCE HOROVITZ

WAITRESSES argue over who will take your order. Shoe salesmen shake their heads and repeat the price for the fourth time.

You sit and watch. You are deaf.

"There is nothing more frustrating. People can't see it, so they don't think it's real," explained Marcia Greenwood-Logsdon, a Carmel Valley resident who teaches a sign language class at the Carmel Adult School.

The 29-year-old newlywed has taught the hearing impaired and others interested in sign language for eight years. During the day, she teaches hearing impaired youngsters at Tularcitos School. Her students arrive from all parts of the county.

Can it be useful? In the U.S., one in 10 persons has a hearing defect

She avoids using the term "deaf." "That means they can't hear at all. Most of my students have some hearing," she explained. Marcia prefers the term "hearing impaired."

But at night she teaches students who have normal hearing. A group of nine adults and one nine-year-old child learn how to talk with their hands. They speak without opening their mouths.

"We aren't accustomed to using our hands in America. We don't touch ourselves. In sign language, there is lots of touching yourself," Marchia explained.

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YOU MIGHT presume that most class members have deaf relatives or friends. Not so. They are there to learn a language, much like French, German or Spanish.

The nine-year-old boy said with an impish grin that he can talk to his buddy in class without the teacher's hearing, thanks to sign language.

Another student said he is taking the class to surprise his fiancee, who interprets with sign language at church services.

One woman in the class used to date a deaf man. "I felt like an outsider when I was with people using sign language. The deaf cope with our world, but what do we do to cope with theirs?" she said.

Some 70 families in Monterey County have children enrolled in schools for the hearing impaired. Just eight years ago, there were only four children enrolled, Marcia noted.

More than 20 million Americans have impaired hearing, she added.

"Deaf children learn sign language just as you and I learn to talk," she said. "They even go through a baby talk stage. Instead of saying water in sign language, they'll say wa-wa," Marcia explained.

The baby talk and children's games are not limited to her young, deaf students. Her Adult School class plays its own version of musical chairs while learning new signs.

The fun is a necessary part of the course. "There is a part of the handicap you never quite overcome. You must learn to live with it — even laugh at it," Marcia said.

A hand dropped downward from the forehead might appear to be a silly sign for "boy," for instance, but think about it. There was a time when boys tipped their caps.

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ANYONE CAN learn sign language. What's more, the evening class is free. It meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Carmelo School on Carmel Valley Road.

Class members first learn the alphabet and the colors. After that, students learn signs at their own pace. The vocabulary continually increases, Marcia said. The teacher boosted her own vocabulary by moving in with a deaf woman years ago.

Sign language comes in handy at peculiar times. Marcia was once put in a jail cell to communicate with a deaf prisoner. More police officers and nurses should learn sign language, she said.

How can she justify more sign language classes in schools? "How can you justify a basketweaving class?" she asked rhetorically.

"The deaf are not freaks. They just don't happen to hear," she said.

The instructor, Marcia Greenwood-Logsdon.

SLOWLY, THE CLASS begins to learn the alphabet of the deaf. The class meets during the evening at Carmelo School. There is a surprising variety of reasons they have for taking the course. One boy, for instance, said he can "talk" to his pal during regular daytime classes and not get caught if he uses sign language. (Del Kaller photo)

Carmel High season starts

Baseball coach brims with optimism for '78

By JAY POSNER

THREE innings of no-hit pitching by Pat Kelly wasn't enough as the Carmel High varsity baseball team dropped its opening game of the season to Watsonville High, 5-1, last week in the opening round of the Aptos Tournament.

Kelly, a junior right-hander, started for the Padres and pitched to the minimum nine batters. The only man who reached base (he was hit by a pitch) was thrown out trying to steal. Senior Scott Thigpen took over in the fourth inning and was hit for five runs in only an inning and one-third. Dave Carpenter and John Lucido combined to pitch the final innings.

On the offensive side, the Padres had only six hits, while Watsonville had only seven, but the Wildcats put all of theirs together in the fourth and fifth innings when they scored all five of their runs.

The Padres played at Aptos Monday in a make-up game from the tournament and then hosted Monterey on Tuesday. Carmel plays Pioneer High School of San Jose today and Salinas tomorrow in nonleague action. Both games will be played at Carmel's field and will start at 3:30 p.m.

Although his team is coming off its worst league finish, Carmel coach Monty Feekes is still looking forward to an excellent season and a Mission Trail Athletic League championship. Feekes said his top returning seniors are outfielders David McKenzie and Mark Bordonaro, catcher Pete Rolfing, pitcher-first baseman John Frincke, pitcher-third baseman Steve Sepersky and shortstop Tom Frincke, who played third base last year.

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THE PADRES, who finished 8-4 in league play last year, also are looking for some good play from several players up from last year's junior varsity squad. Those pitchers Pat Kelly and Scott Thigpen, third baseman Joe Limov, pitcher-infielder John Lucido, pitcher-catcher Dave Carpenter and outfielder Tim Sherman. Thigpen and Carpenter are seniors while the others are all juniors.

CARMEL SPORTS

Feekes said, "It looks like we have good depth in pitching, but our biggest question mark is how well we hit. Vandervort, Limov, Carpenter, Lucido and those other JV kids scored a lot of runs when they won the JV championship last year. In fact, their biggest strength was their offense. We would also like to improve the overall job of our pitchers from last year, particularly the top three or four."

Feekes also mentioned that the best battles for positions are the fights for catcher and shortstop.

"The battle for shortstop should be very interesting with senior Tom Frincke, junior Neil Vandervort, and Rick Brenneman, a senior transfer from Tennessee fighting for a starting position. The catching position is also up for grabs with two seniors, Pete Rolfing and Dave Carpenter, fighting for the starting job," said Feekes.

Bike hike slated for Saturday

Hikers and bikers will combine outings with visits to the Sierra Club Ventana Chapter's Trail Sale Saturday, March 11, at Carmel High School, Highway 1 and Ocean Ave., Carmel.

Hikers will meet at Carmel High School with lunch and water at 9 a.m. for an easy-to-moderate hike over wooded and beach trails in and around Carmel, then back to the Trail Sale at about 2 p.m. For details phone Mal Bauer, 624-3254, or Dottie Blanchard, 375-3622.

Bike riders will meet at Carmel River School at 10 a.m. for a short ride to Point Lobos and back in time for lunch at the Trail Sale. For details, phone leaders Chet and Bev Gadaire, 375-8995.

Sunday, March 12, a not-for-beginners hike to Turner Creek Camp is planned. The hike involves a steep climb of 1,000 feet along the Ridge Road from the Hoist on Palo Colorado Road. Meet behind Brinton's in Carmel Rancho Shopping Center, Highway 1 and Carmel Valley Rd., at 8:30 a.m.

A dramatic smile

JILL ARNOLD flashes the toothy smile that she used in her role as "the Little Spirit" in the student play staged Friday at Woods School. The youngsters presented "The Tempest" by William Shakespeare. The big grin was Jill's way of warming up for the production. Photographer Michael Stang took this photo backstage before curtain time.

Carmel grad on tour with performing group

Christopher Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Young of Carmel, currently is on a 10-day performing tour in New Mexico and northern Texas with the "Young Ambassadors" from Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

The mid-semester tour includes performances at Amarillo, Tex., and at Santa Fe, Albuquerque, Roswell, Clovis, Artesia and Carlsbad, N.M.

The all-student cast presents a 90-minute music and dance variety show.

Young is a lighting technician in his first year with the troupe. He graduated from Las Lomas High School in Walnut Creek in 1967 and is a member of the Screen Actors' Guild. His father is a retired executive with Safeway Stores Inc., and his mother, Peggy, is an instructor at Monterey Peninsula College. Christopher is a graduate of Brigham Young.

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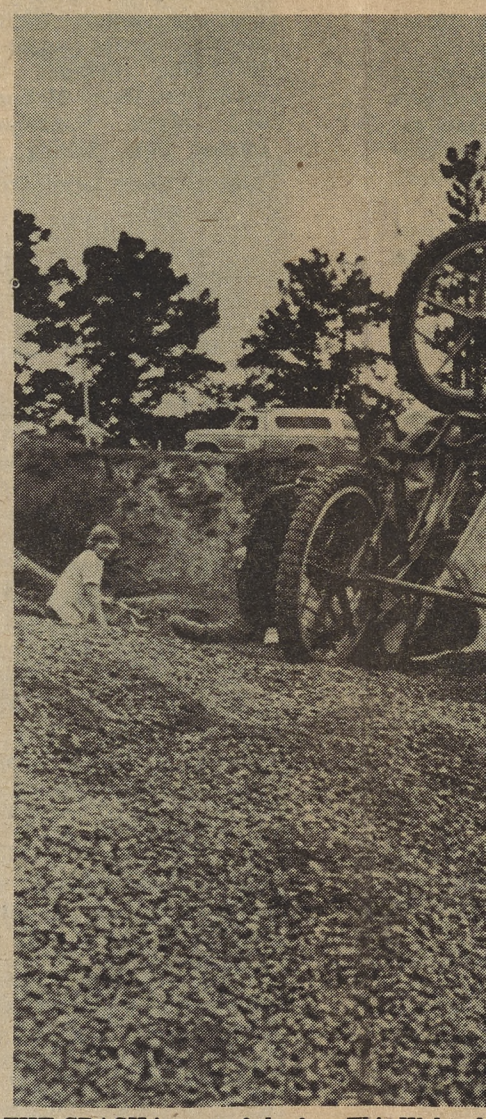
GRAVEL PIT jumpers have specialized moves, producing difference of style. Mike Young makes this "tabletop" jump with professional form.

JAMES CROMER indicates that gravel pit jumping is the number one sport time activity for youngsters around the Carmel area.



THE CRASH is part of the fun. This Webco b fitted with a sidecar, allows two daredevil make the jump. Mike Young begins to

Gravel pit daredevils

Youthful Knievels find fun in a pile of rock

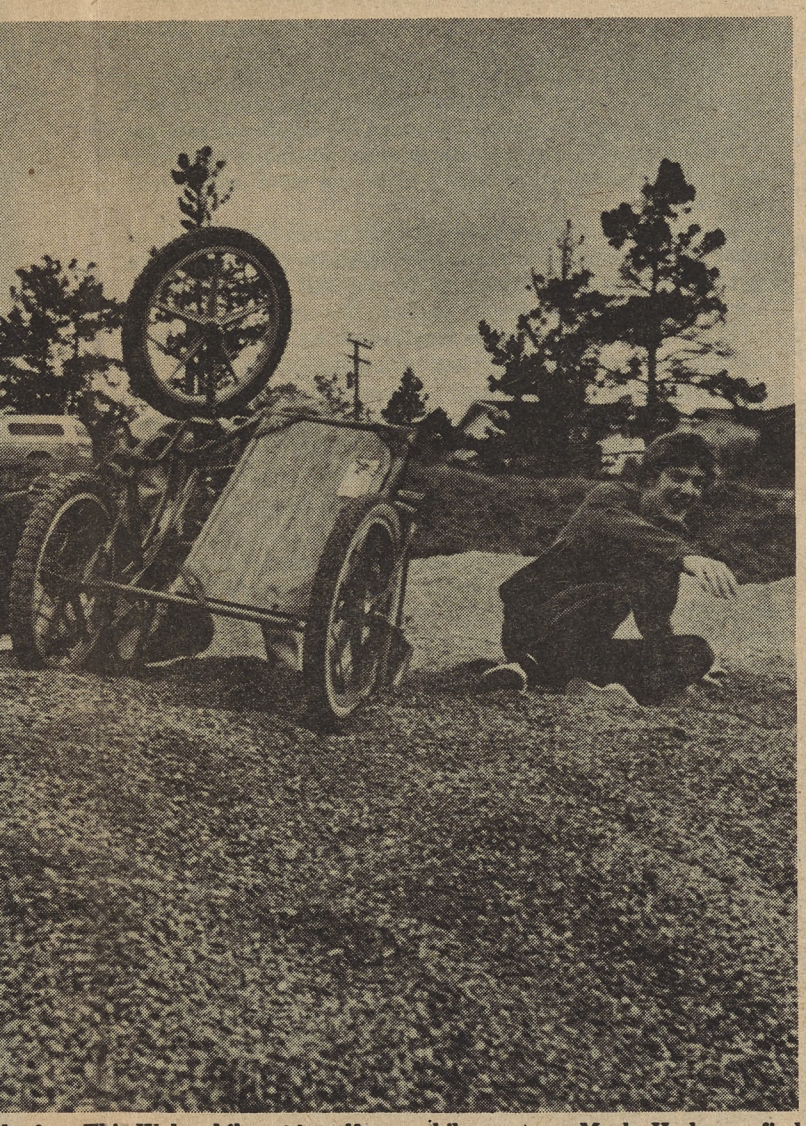
FROM A PILE of gravel, a youthful cult of bicycling Evel Knievels has lifted its front wheel and spawned an after-school pastime for Carmel kids.

The gravel is at the intersection of Carmel Valley Road and Highway 1, not too far from Carmel Middle School.

Most of the kids ride the new bikes equipped with heavy-spoke wheels. They pedal for speed down the slope and leave the ground to attempt mid-air stunts that make parents gray and old too soon.

Photographer Michael Stang found the cult doing its thing in the gravel last week. Although some of the riders took mighty spills, there were no injuries — only a bruise here and a black-and-blue mark there.

THE LONG HIKE back up the hill is worth the effort for these youngsters. The afternoon wears on and the kids get plenty of exercise.



he fun. This Webco bike, himself up while partner Mark Hudgens finds llows two daredevils to himself under the rig.
Young begins to pick

SPEED IS THE key to a good jump. ders, the types of jumps, all need proper DeCosters, 180 per centers and one han- speed to be successful.

Photography by Michael Stang

KEVIN D. WALSH, engineer for the Carmel Sanitary District, has said he will recommend moving toward recycling wastewater when the district board meets next week. The district is under orders from the state water quality board to reduce the amount of treated sewage it pumps into Carmel Bay. The plant pictured in the background can safely treat up to 2.4 million gallons per day. Walsh said it treats an average of 2.3 million gallons a day. (Michael Stang photo)

Concept gets engineer's backing

Sewage recycling gains momentum

By JIM BARRETT

IT'S THERE at the mouth of the Carmel River and it has to be dumped somewhere. Enough sewage, that is, to flood three acres with a foot of water alive with viruses and bacteria.

Four years ago, the Carmel Sanitary District started pumping the treated wastewater into Carmel Bay. It flowed from the treatment plant through a 600-foot underwater outfall completed in 1973 at a cost of $500,000.

But, on Wednesday, the chief engineer for the district intends to tell its board of directors to recycle at least part of the waste instead of pumping it into the bay. The recommendation expected from engineer Kevin D. Walsh could be significant if state water quality authorities decide in April to give a strict interpretation to their 1975 directive that designated Carmel Bay as an Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS).

There are 33 other areas in California designated by the State Water Resources Control Board. The controls vary but are designed to protect marine life and underwater ecosystems. But in Carmel's case, the designation and its accompanying paperwork did not clearly specify whether the outfall had to be shut down completely. The state board did suggest, however, that Carmel study methods of recycling its waste.

The meaning of the ASBS designation in Carmel is the topic of a special workshop the state board has scheduled on April 5 and 6 in Sacramento, said Walsh. He and representatives of the Carmel district board will attend.

Directors of the Carmel district have been reluctant to pursue waste disposal alternatives until implications of the ASBS designation are explained. James B. Pruitt, one of the five directors, has been outspoken in his criticism of the state involvement.

"This whole ASBS and the fact we have to write all these studies and this whole roundabout where we will be spending $800,000 is not necessary. I'm going to say keep doing what we are doing," Pruitt said last week.

"We haven't hurt the bay a bit. If the bay is so beautiful, why stop putting in the stuff that made it so beautiful?" he said.

But if Pruitt is unsuccessful, it seems that wastewater recycling will become the way Carmel will reduce its dumping in the bay.

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WALSH LED a public workshop on Oct. 25 that attracted 120 persons to a broad-ranging discussion that revolved around population growth in Carmel and the Valley and the ASBS restriction on bay dumping.

"At that public workshop," Walsh said, "it was strongly expressed by almost everyone that they wanted the district to study recycling the wastewater. They also expressed a desire to keep it in the watershed. In other words, to keep it in the Carmel area rather than pumping it over the hill to Monterey."

For those reasons, Walsh decided last week to turn the quest for waste disposal solutions toward local water recycling.

If Carmel carries out the plan, a clash between the sanitary district and Walter Wong, Monterey County director of environmental health, probably will occur.

Some treated sewage would have to be used for irrigation, according to any of the four recycling plans Walsh is backing. The water eventually would percolate through the ground and ostensibly be purified, but there are fears it might contaminate the underground water table.

Asked if the irrigation would be safe, Walsh replied, "Walter says no. I say yes."

"My concern is with the level of treatment that water gets and the element of human exposure. Water that only has received primary treatment is out of the question as far as I am concerned," Wong said in a telephone interview.

"They would have to treat it to the second stage or through an advanced process, like filtration through sand, at the least," said Wong. He serves with Walsh on the technical advisory committee to the Carmel Sanitary District.

Is it safe? 'Walter says no. I say yes,' chief engineer replies

Wong said even if highly treated wastewater were used, there would be problems in policing amounts disposed of on the land.

"The key factor in irrigating with treated water is to limit it to only that quantity that the plants would take. If more water was used than the plants could absorb, there is a danger the excess would seep into the water table," said Wong.

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BECAUSE CARMEL and Carmel Valley have no industrial plants nor sizable agriculture activity, the amount of wastewater that can be reclaimed is limited, explained Wong. Research could lead to wider use of treated sewage, he said.

In Moss Landing, for instance, treated wastewater is used to cool machinery at the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. power plant on Highway 1.

Farther south, in Castroville, a five-year test project is underway to determine if artichokes and lettuce can be grown safely with treated wastewater, he said. Food grown at the project site will be analyzed by the University of California to determine if dangerous contaminants are found in the food. No findings are expected from the Castroville demonstration project until 1983, however, Wong said. The project is not scheduled to get under way until this summer.

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OBSERVING THE July 1 deadline set by the state, Walsh has been putting the finishing touches on a consultant's feasibility study on alternative ways to dispose of sewage. From the list of 20 alternatives first considered, wastewater recycling schemes were shown to be the most economical, said Walsh.

Inevitably, customers in the district would have to pay at least part of the cost to change the methods by which waste is handled. The district covers Carmel and adjacent neighborhoods in unincorporated parts of the area.

The cheapest alternative would cost an estimated $2.6 million and could prompt the confrontation between the sanitary district and the health department. The plan calls for pumping treated wastewater up the Carmel River and discharging limited amounts to irrigate land and vegetation that grows along the banks.

Other recycling plans are more sophisticated, more ambitious and more expensive.

The most ambitious would distribute treated wastewater to the five golf courses in the Del Monte Forest and the two in Carmel Valley. It would cost an estimated $6.1 million and, like other irrigation proposals, still would leave the sewage plant with large amounts of unwanted wastewater during the wet season.

In addition, the cost estimate could go up if the Carmel Sanitary District failed to find enough customers willing to buy the wastewater.

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THERE ARE BASICALLY two other alternatives being considered. One involves pumping raw sewage to Monterey for treatment and disposal; the other calls for construction of a 4,500-foot extension on the outfall.

The pipeline then would carry the sewage out beyond the boundary drawn around the bay by the Water Resources Control Board. The boundary line follows a southeasterly path from Pescadero Point at the north to Granite Point to the south. Sewage would be dumped "two or three feet" beyond the boundary, Walsh said. The project would cost about $4.57 million.

Kenneth J. McGinnis, a sanitary district board member, said the idea of extending the pipeline does not appeal to him. "That would subscribe to the letter of the law, but I don't think it would meet the spirit of the law," he said.

Pumping waste to Monterey for treatment and disposal would cost an estimated $9.57 million, according to a draft of the feasibility study. Monterey Bay was not designated an ASBS. The pipeline would be eight miles long and require special pumps to carry its load over the 550-foot Carmel Hill.

If the pipeline to Monterey were adopted, directors have

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National president visits

First female president takes helm of local Sierra chapter

THE SIERRA CLUB WILL work to build volunteer participation on both a local and national level in 1978, while targeting preservation of Alaskan wilderness as the major national goal and Peninsula water and land use issues locally.

These priorities were the focus of comments by national president John W. "Bill" Futrell and Ventana Chapter President Jean Figen at the chapter's annual awards dinner on Friday.

The highlight of the dinner was the presentation of the national Distinguished Service Award to Mary Ann "Corky" Matthews of Carmel Valley, a Ventana Chapter member.

It is a year of firsts for both the national and local organization, with Futrell being the first president from the Southeast and, on the Peninsula, Mrs. Figen, a medical lab technician from Monterey, being the first woman president of the chapter in its 15-year history.

She said this week she will make her top priority reviving the volunteer strength of the club.

"There used to be a good feeling of being together, a comradeship," she said. "We've lost some of that."

Mrs. Figen said the concentration on government lobbying has removed some of the fellowship built through hiking and other club outings which were central activities in the past.

"I want to build the membership strength of the organization," she said. "We may not expand the membership so much in total numbers, but we'll make it a better organization."

As far as specific action goals during the year, Mrs. Figen mentioned Peninsula water problems, with emphasis on formation of a water management district (an issue on the June 6 ballot); staying involved in coastal land use planning; offering opinions on land use planning in the Carmel Valley, Big Sur and Salinas areas; and blocking a deep-water port for oil tankers at Moss Landing.

"We have been accused of being a 'no-growth' organization," she said. "But we are no more so than a lot of people who hate to see the quality of life destroyed by too much construction. But certain growth is needed to maintain the local economy."

Mrs. Figen came into the Sierra Club at its formation in 1963, having earlier been active in the League of Women Voters. She and her husband, Lowell, moved to the Peninsula in 1957.

"I was every officer in the league except president," she said. "My husband wouldn't let me. But our children were younger then.

"I think he's letting me be president this time to make up for before," she said with a laugh.

Mrs. Figen sees herself as being in the right place at the right time in becoming the first female chapter president.

"It used to be that men took all the leadership positions," she said, "although women were active as hostesses, hike leaders, secretaries. When I was elected, I couldn't sleep all night, thinking, 'What have I done?' But if it hadn't been me, I don't think anyone else could have done it right now."

FUTRELL, WHO BECAME the first national president to rise through the organizational ranks from chapter-level offices, joked that he, too, was the right man at the right time.

"I guess all good presidents came from Georgia last year," he said Friday before his speech at the club awards dinner.

Futrell is a law school professor at the University of Georgia. A graduate of Columbia University Law School and Tulane University, he was Phi Beta Kappa and a Fulbright scholar in Germany.

He also served a tour of duty with the U.S. Marine Corps as a captain in East Asia, ending in 1962. He taught a survival school there and describes his Sierra Club work as "a kind of survival school."

He joined the club in 1962 in San Francisco because of its outdoors emphasis. He has never lost his love for the land and can enjoy the outdoors while fighting to preserve it.

"The man of action has to be a man of introspection and the thinker should be committed to action," he said in an interview last fall.

In his law school teaching, he has specialized in environmental and corporate law. He was a U.S. delegate to the United Nations conference on water in August 1977 and to the White House Conference on Inflation in 1974 and has conducted federal research projects on air pollution enforcement and noise and vibration standards.

Futrell dismissed the idea that the Sierra Club is anti-business.

"We look for allies who will speak for environmental quality wherever we can find them," he said in the Sierra Club Bulletin interview in September. "When I talk to industry groups, I suggest that . . . considering the environment should always be one of their strongest concerns. And then, they should look to us as allies.

"We don't have blinders on as far as they're concerned. The club's alleged anti-corporateness is something that people in the business community have invented to smear us with."

Futrell sees the club as strongest in pursuing wilderness protection. Club members spend much of their time exploring or traveling in the wild and "because we know it best, we're some of its most expressive spokesmen."

But he said goals during his tenure also will be to support President Carter's energy program and to urge development of a national forestry program which will bring a more scientific approach to harvesting timber.

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"OUR OUTSTANDING priority is Alaska," he declared. "It is the conservation challenge of the century, comparable to the opportunity Theodore Roosevelt had at the beginning of the century when he set aside the land that became the U.S. National Park system."

Futrell said the vast expanses of wilderness still in federal control need to be turned into national parks to preserve unique geographic areas and animal habitats.

MARY ANN "Corky" Matthews steps to the podium Friday to accept national honor from Bill Futrell, president of the Sierra Club.

Sierra Club award winner

Corky Matthews still finds time to bake bread for her family

MARY ANN "Corky" Matthews has been the editor of the monthly newsletter of the Ventana chapter of the Sierra Club since the chapter was organized in 1963.

She also teaches a backpacking course at Monterey Peninsula College, is a member of the Carmel Valley Master Plan committee, secretary of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association and a member of the Point Lobos Advisory Committee.

In between times, she has managed to raise two children, bakes all the family bread and still finds a moment or two to make a pot of marmalade for her husband, Graham. She makes it with the Seville oranges growing in the backyard.

The recipient of occasional laurels from the local chapter, Mrs. Matthews became the first chapter member to receive the national organization's Distinguished Service Award. She received it Friday.

"It was a complete shock," Mrs. Matthews said. "I was embarrassed. There's no way you can be very calm when something like that happens."

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AS ONE of the founding chapter members who were on hand at Ansel Adams's house on St. Patrick's Day in 1963, Mrs. Matthews assisted as editor of *The Ventana* for a couple months before taking over its direction in September 1963. She has not stopped since.

"I like to feel with anything I'm doing that I'm learning and growing with it," she said. "After a while, you ask, 'Where do I go from here?' Then it's time to pass it on to someone else."

But, still, she does the job, getting the newsletter to the 2,400 club members on time each month.

"It's funny," she said. "Sometimes I'll meet someone and they'll ask, 'Do you work?' I work hard, but I don't make any money.

"My husband gets pretty upset sometimes when dinner isn't on the table and the housework isn't done. Like this week, when I've got a deadline, nothing gets done."

Much of her time recently has been spent on the Valley master plan process, with meetings weekly now as the committee works to finish its part of the process and turn its work over to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

She calls herself an optimist about the future of the Valley, noting, "There's no place to run to. People have to stay where they are, fight to make the place more livable."

The Pt. Lobos committee also is working on a master plan for the park, working to halt development across Highway 1 from the state preserve.

A self-confessed "wildflower freak," Mrs. Matthews would love to find more time for the California Native Plant Society or just hiking outdoors on a sunny spring day.

It was her love of the outdoors — skiing in particular — that drew her to the Sierra Club after college. But, she adds wistfully, "since I got involved in all these sedentary things, I don't have time to get away."

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SHE IS unhappy with the changes in the Sierra Club. It changed from an outings-oriented group into a lobbying organization "like a big corporation, a big bureaucracy," she said.

If she ever finds a successor for the newsletter, she said she will spend more time in other areas of action, particularly development of Carmel Valley. She spoke with sadness about the lack of public involvement in Valley growth management, of the rapid lot splits there that are turning large ranches into subdivisions.

"Our victories are always temporary," Mrs. Matthews said. "And our defeats are always permanent."

Laureles area EIR demanded

New subdivisions in a 1,000-acre section of Laureles Grade will be blocked for at least six months while Monterey County planning officials prepare an environmental impact report for the area, a unanimous Board of Supervisors decided Tuesday.

The action limits development in the area until the EIR is prepared for already-approved subdivisions, and single-family homes and improvements on lots where no further land divisions are planned.

Special permits will be required from the supervisors for all but single-family home construction during the interim period.

The urgency ordinance was proposed by Supervisor Edwin Norris of Salinas as a way for landowners to avoid the high cost of preparing individual EIRs for each development.

Under the ordinance, developers will pay a share of the county's cost for the environmental assessment of the area.

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No backstage jealousy

They share one role and say they're happy

By BARBARA MOUNTREY

CAN TWO prima donnas be happy sharing the leading role in one opera? They can if they are Francine Lancaster and Julianne Janes, and if they are singing at Hidden Valley Music Seminars.

These two young women will share the part of Adina in Gaetano Donizetti's *The Elixir of Love*, which opens tomorrow night at Hidden Valley. Each has traveled a long way, geographically and professionally, before coming to our local opera house.

Francine, 27, comes from Florida, but has most recently been living and working in New York. Julianne, 29, comes to Carmel Valley from Texas, by way of Germany and San Francisco. Their careers have developed quite differently, Francine's beginning early and Julianne's relatively late.

"I've always sung," said Francine. "As a little girl I was always a singer." Her parents traveled quite a bit, because her father was in the Air Force.

"When I was 12, we lived in Germany, and I had a chance to study with an opera singer there, to learn how not to hurt myself.

"Then when we moved back to the United States, I studied with a couple of different teachers. When I was 16, I was sponsored by Tampa, Florida, the city. They had a Francine Lancaster fund that took care of my singing."

How did that happen?

"Well, I auditioned for a society lady, Mrs. Mason Smith, and some women got together and decided that I would be a good cause and a good tax-deductible thing, so they made a corporation out of me, and that became the Francine Lancaster Fund. And at the same time I got a scholarship to study at Florida State University and studied with Eleana Nikolaidi."

Julianne's voice did not blossom until she was in her teens. She spent her first 18 years in Cooper, Tex., a small town north of Dallas.

"I took piano lessons as a child, and my sisters and I would sing. One of my sisters plays piano. We used to have a group called the Little Lemon Sisters, because we were so horrible. But I really didn't know that I could sing, or had any kind of inclination toward that, until about seventh grade.

FRANCINE LANCASTER is glad to be singing opera in the round and in English, so that the audience can see what is affecting the characters and have "a total experience."

DR. DULCAMARA (Robert Swedberg, center) extols the virtues of his elixir with the cast of the Hidden Valley Opera Ensemble production of Donizetti's "The Elixir of Love." The opera opens Friday, March 10, at the Hidden Valley Theater, Ford Rd. and Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel Valley Village.

"Unlike California, where there's so much beautiful scenery, and the ocean, and it's a vital place, there it's very desolate. Where I grew up it's flat, and farmland, so you had to deal a lot with your fantasy, if you were inclined that way.

"And the intellectual and scholastic pursuits never were satisfying enough. I kept wanting to do other things.

"I guess my mother recognized it. She had some knowledge of music. And my father really got off on it when I would sing and stuff. I was the baby of the family, and everybody else was very different from me. All of a sudden here was this crazy singer.

"So she took me to a local teacher to learn the music, which was very difficult, for the auditions for All-State Choir. Only 360 students were going to be picked out of the whole state, out of thousands. I think there were 16 first sopranos. Of course they had all these choral groups and things at all the other schools. I didn't know I couldn't do it, I guess; so I learned the music and I got in All-State Choir. From then on it seemed very clear that I should get into some type of music. That I should sing. I was 17."

Julianne's family was less enthusiastic than Francine's about a career as a singer.

"My father said, 'Wonderful, do it, go for it.' And my mother said, 'No, you've got to make a living or what are you going to do?' So she suggested I get a degree in music education, which is the normal thing to do. I got two degrees, one in music education and a bachelor's in voice."

After college, Julianne had been planning to go to Juilliard School of Music, in New York, where she had been accepted for graduate work. Instead she married, lived in Dallas and taught dyslectic children. But she soon found that she could not teach during the day and have any kind of career. So she went back to graduate school. Her teacher suggested that she go to New York to see his former agent, William Stein.

"So my husband, Bob, and I went to New York and I sang for Mr. Stein. And Mr. Stein really liked me, and he said, 'You ought to go to Germany.' " It was hard to launch an operatic career in this country then — a situation that Julianne thinks Hidden Valley has helped to change.

"I guess I had a wild hair; I wanted to go. And my husband was young enough and crazy enough, and we went together." They traveled around Germany for three months, living in a Volkswagen bus, while Julianne auditioned. The effort paid off: she landed a contract with the Munster Stadische Opera, and sang there for two years.

She believes that Hidden Valley is valuable because "it's one theater, it's total immersion, it's with orchestra — it's a marvelous experience, very intense. It's a good place to learn and perform two very important roles in my *fach* (voice category)." Like Francine, Julianne considers herself a lyric coloratura; that is, their voices possess both greater range and greater agility than a dramatic or lyric soprano; they specialize in music that is highly ornamented with runs and figures.

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WHILE JULIANNE was in Germany, Francine was attempting to establish herself at home. After college, she sent a tape of her voice to Estelle Liebling, who had taught Beverly Sills.

"She liked my singing, asked me to come up to New York and study with her, so I moved up to New York and studied with her the last couple of months before she passed away. After she passed away, I began to study with Jennie Tourel. I also enrolled at Juilliard School, taking the professional studies course.

"I then went to Mexico for a year (in 1971 and 1972) and sang with the Orchestra Sinfonica Estado de Mexico. I was going to stay at the university there and teach voice, but I just wasn't ready for that.

"Then I came back to New York to the Juilliard professional studies program again. Jennie Tourel by that time had passed away, so I did not study for about a year. That was a very difficult time vocally for me. I didn't know where I was going to go with my voice. So I stopped studying for a while.

"I've been studying with my current teacher, Mr. Charles G. Reading, for the last two and a half years. In that time I've sung with the smaller opera companies -- the Bronx Opera Company and the Bel Canto -- and this last year I've won lots and lots of competitions. Most recently I won second place in the San Francisco Met auditions; in March I'll find out what happens with that.

"There are very few programs like this in the country. There's the Texas Opera Theater and the Chicago Lyric, which have the same kind of idea of offering an apprenticeship and doing roles, as well as learning and taking classes during the day. But Hidden Valley is really unique. I live in New York, and I've been around all of that area and I know what's there, and I found that being in this environment, where you are always singing, and you've working with good coaches, you're taking classes in dance, and you're taking an acting class, and you're working with people like Lincoln Clark, Henry Holt, Natalie Limonick -- a very fantastic lady -- Warren Jones, Mark Gantt, and conductors like John Yaffe, Paul Polivnick -- you can't pass an opportunity like that up.

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BOTH SINGERS HAVE thought a lot about Adina. They have discussed her with John Powers, the director; with John Yaffe, the conductor; with other ensemble members; and with each other.

To Julianne, "She's human; she's three-dimensional; she grows, just like everybody. At the beginning of the opera she's a landowner and a frivolous, capricious type, who manipulates men and has fun, but underneath, there's an emptiness. There's a part of her that she won't allow to be touched, which is first of all touched by things out of her control. It all begins with her reading the book about Tristan and Isolde. There's a tiny part in that first reading where she wants to believe in the possibility that there is a true love. Obviously she's not experienced, and in the duet with Nemorino she sings, 'As one nail drives out the other, so new love expels the old. In this manner I enjoy love.' But though the words sound as if that's what she believes, the music is quite emotional, and poignant, and lyrical. Donizetti is a master in the way he balances, all the time, the intellectual and the emotional."

Francine does not see Adina as quite so cold: "It's a difficult role to play, because she's a very complicated lady. She's very vulnerable, but she has a certain status, and a certain attitude that she has to keep because she's around lots of peasants, and she has to have a bit of a better-than-everyone-else attitude. She also has to be vulnerable enough and lovable enough that one can understand how Nemorino could be in love with her. She can't show it too much at the beginning, but she finally does at the end. She finally gives in and says, 'Hell, this is ridiculous.' They play such incredible games onstage, in the beginning. She's always playing with him, and always teasing him; and he's always falling for it, and always very lovesick. And she loves that. So she uses Belcore as sort of a ploy, between her and her feelings for Nemorino, because she's afraid of admitting all that.

"But finally she realizes that it's real, true love that matters anyway. And it ends very happily.

"It's a wonderful opera, and full of melodies that I think everybody is going to walk out of the theater singing. They're going to remember the characters. They're lovable characters. Dr. Dulcamara is just a very special man. He has an elixir of love, which is just a magic, magic potion for everybody. I think that the audience will really love being a part of that whole experience."

The magic of *The Elixir of Love* will transform the Hidden Valley stage tomorrow night at 8 p.m., Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. and during 10 succeeding performances.

JULIANNE JANES feels that Adina is swept away "not by the elixir, but by belief in the elixir. And belief, faith, can change anything."

Medal winner

Pianist Swann due Saturday at Sunset

Van Cliburn medal-winner Jeffrey Swann will open the 1978-79 Keyboard Masters series with a piano concert Saturday, March 11, at 8 p.m. at Sunset Center, San Carlos and Ninth, Carmel.

Swann, who appeared at Sunset Center in January with the San Jose Youth Symphony, won the bronze medal in the Van Cliburn international piano competition last year. He will play works by Haydn, Berg, Chopin and Liszt.

The 24-year-old pianist won the Dino Ciani International Piano Competition sponsored by La Scala in Milan, Italy, in 1975, the 1974 Young Concert Artists International Auditions and second prize and the gold medal in the Queen Elisabeth of Belgium International Competition.

He has appeared as soloist with many symphony orchestras in the United States and Europe. He studied at Juilliard School of Music, where he earned his bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees.

Other artists who will appear in the Keyboard Masters series are Gerhard Oppitz, who will play Oct. 6; Janina Fialkowska, who will play Nov. 11; Tong Il-Han, who will play Feb. 3, 1979; and Jeffrey Kahane, who is scheduled to play March 17, 1979.

Series tickets are available at $20 and $16, $10 for students. Individual concert tickets, at $5, $4 and $2.50 (student tickets), are available at the Sunset Center director's office. For reservations or more information, phone 624-3996.

PIANIST JEFFREY SWANN will present the first concert in the Keyboard Masters series Saturday, March 11, at Sunset Center, San Carlos and Ninth, Carmel. The concert begins at 8 p.m.

Sea films to be screened

A series of seven films about sea animals and the undersea world will be screened Saturday, March 11, at 8 p.m. at the Monterey County Fairgrounds home economics building, Fairgrounds and Garden Rds., Monterey.

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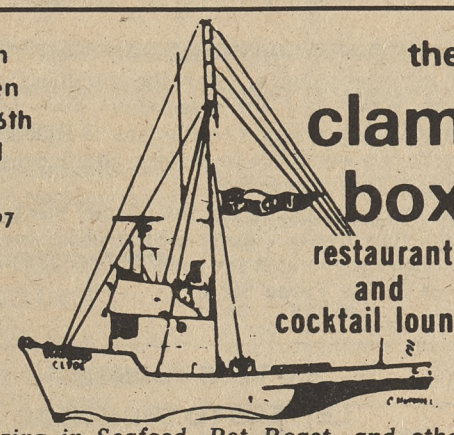

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The play is the story of Harry Baker, owner of the largest artificial fruit business in the East, and his two sons. Alan is a 33-year-old playboy who works only two days a week; Buddy is a 21-year-old with an urge to assert himself. The complications that arise when Buddy moves in with his playboy brother are "warm-hearted and amusing," according to the New York Daily News.

Cast members are Dick Stember as Mr. Baker; Anita Tonn as Mrs. Baker; Ross Rhodes as Buddy; and Don Nyman as Alan.

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Hidden Valley opera opens

The Hidden Valley Opera Ensemble's second offering of the 1978 season, Donizetti's *The Elixir of Love*, opens Friday, March 10, at the Hidden Valley Theater in Carmel Valley.

The opera will also be staged Sunday, March 12; Friday, March 17; Sunday, March 19; Tuesday, March 21; Friday, March 24; Saturday, March 25; Tuesday, March 28; Friday, March 31; Sunday, April 2; Friday, April 7; and Saturday, April 8. All Sunday performances are matinees.

The opera, to be sung in English, is a rollicking comedy about Nemorino, a shy and simple young farmer from a Basque village, and Adina, the wealthy country girl he loves.

Bottles of *The Elixir of Love*, a ruby cabernet produced and specially labeled by Monterey Peninsula Winery, will be available at each performance.

Tickets, at $16 for opening night and $8 for all other performances, are available at Hidden Valley Music Seminars, Ford Rd. and Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel Valley Village; Countrywide Crafts in the Barnyard, Highway 1 and Rio Rd., Carmel; the How to Do Anything Bookstore, Lobos Lodge Court, Carmel; Lily Walker Records, 169 Fountain Ave., Pacific Grove; and the Record Cove, 421 Alvarado St., Monterey.

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Lecture, recital slated at MPC

William Corbett-Jones will present the first of four piano lecture/recitals Friday, March 10, at the Monterey Peninsula College Music Hall, 980 Fremont St., Monterey. The program begins at 4:30 p.m.

The first program will be about the music, life and times of Beethoven. Other concert topics are Schumann, April 14; Chopin, May 12; and Bach, June 9.

Corbett-Jones is a professor of music at San Francisco State University. He has been a member of the Crown Chamber Players at UC Santa Cruz since 1967 and served for two years as the ensemble's music director. He has also been the pianist with the Alma Trio since 1968.

Series tickets, at $8, are available at the MPC Community Services Office. For more information, phone 373-5522.

Sewage recycling

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the option of diverting some of the treated waste to golf courses in Pebble Beach, said Walsh. The arrangement, however, would add about $3 million to the cost of the pipeline.

Walsh favors the general concept of recycling, however, and said it could allow Carmel to reduce its dumping in the bay by from 15 to 50 per cent.

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KINNETIC LABORATORIES of Santa Cruz has been studying what damage, if any, the outfall in Carmel Bay has caused. Walsh said the researchers have found no solid evidence of harm to marine life, but he added that Kinnetic Laboratories would like to perform additional studies before making a final conclusion.

The board of directors of the Carmel Sanitary District is scheduled to receive Walsh's recommendations Tuesday at 8 p.m. when they meet in the council chambers at Carmel City Hall on Monte Verde Street.

EXPRESS YOURSELF

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR IN THE OUTLOOK

Carmel Bach Festival reported in financial difficulty

The Carmel Bach Festival, a local institution for nearly 50 years, could go bankrupt within five years unless it finds new and major financial backing.

While the festival is not in immediate danger, rising costs and continuing operating deficits will exhaust its reserves in the near future without wider sponsorship, the Rev. Paul Woudenberg of the festival executive committee told members of the Carmel Kiwanis Club last week.

Festival committee treasurer Dr. Daniel Gornel said Monday the festival is solvent. "We're not in any financial difficulty now and I wouldn't want to give people that impression. We're just anticipating an increase in needs down the road," he said.

Gornel said the festival has incurred deficits the past three years, with the operating loss approaching $16,000 in 1977.

Woudenberg said even with the increase in 1978 ticket prices from $9 to $12, the festival will still run into the red.

He noted that the per diem reimbursement to performers -- their only pay for participating in the festival -- will increase from $16.25 to $18.

"Most of the artists tell me they lose money coming here," Woudenberg said. "But they do it because they love the festival, love the music."

The festival took in just over $100,000 from ticket sales, programs and other concert-related income last year, Woudenberg said. Donations raised another $20,000 to $25,000. But expenses were $140,000, leaving a deficit of nearly $16,000, he said. It was the largest annual operating deficit ever for the festival, "and it caused us all to sit up and take a look at the situation," he told the Kiwanis Club.

While details of the fundraising drive are still being developed, Woudenberg said the group hopes to find a major donor or donors to give an endowment which would solve the deficit problems.

He also stressed that more volunteer housing is needed for visiting festival performers during July. Whatever rooming space cannot be provided free must be rented by the festival committee, he added.

Part of the problem confronting the committee is a desire to keep ticket prices low. Sunset Center, where the main concerts are given during the 14-day festival, has only 732 seats. The Carmel Mission Basilica and other halls offer even fewer seats.

Woudenberg said the festival is charged $5,000 by the city of Carmel to rent the Sunset Center, but gets back $3,000 in the form of a grant from the city.

A record album recorded at the festival that was sold to raise funds turned out to be "more headache than it was worth," Woudenberg said, although sales from the album do generate some revenue.

Woudenberg said the committee does not want to move the festival out of Carmel into larger Peninsula auditoriums because of its close identification with the city.

Psychiatric worker is guest speaker

Frances Horn, a psychiatric social worker from Carmel, will give a public talk on "The Process of Transformation" at 8 p.m. at the Carl Cherry Foundation, Guadalupe and Fourth.

FRANCES HORN is the guest speaker Wednesday at the Cherry Foundation.

Mrs. Horn, who is now working on psychotherapy for cancer patients, said the talk will "offer an essentially simple, clear answer to the question 'What must I do to be fully human?' "

She has a master's degree in psychology from UC Berkeley and in psychiatric social work from the University of Southern California.

The talk is open to the public and will be given in Cherry Hall. Donations will be accepted.

Donna Sawyer is elected president of auxiliary

Donna Sawyer has been elected president of the Auxiliary of the Behavioral Sciences Institute, a fund-raising group which assists in financing the services the institute offers to handicapped children and those with speech and hearing problems.

Other new officers are: Mrs. George Curtis, vice president; Mrs. John R. Christie, recording secretary; Mrs. B. W. Baldwin, treasurer; Mrs. O. H. Polk, membership chairman; and Mrs. Douglas Martz, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. James R. Lunke, the past president, will serve as publicity chairman.

The auxiliary activities for the year include a membership tea, a fashion show, another Great Gatsby Ball and the traditional Christmas-by-the-Sea Bazaar.

All money raised by the various projects, as well as donations, membership dues and endowments will be passed along to the Behavioral Sciences Institute to help support its many programs. The Institute's office is located in Monterey.

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Trustees start round of superintendent interviews

THE CARMEL Unified School District board of trustees will meet in public session only once this month because of a heavy round of closed personnel sessions to pick a new district superintendent.

Trustees will conduct their regular meeting on Tuesday, March 21, replacing meetings normally scheduled for March 14 and 28.

Board members will review the candidates for the superintendent's post in a closed session Monday. There were 195 applicants.

A special screening committee of school administrators gave trustees its recommendations from among the 195, but Board President Pamela D. Smith said the trustees will review "each application" before trimming the list for interviews.

She said no firm schedule of meetings on the selection has been set yet, but she anticipated a board vote on a new superintendent by early April.

Superintendent Harris Taylor will retire in June after 12 years as head of the district. He will remain on as a history instructor for another year or two, he has said.

Child behavior experts talk at Carmelo

"What Makes a Good Student" is the topic of a discussion Monday at Carmelo School by two experts in child behavior.

The featured speakers are Dr. Rob Magnelli, an educational and clinical psychologist, and Kenneth Kramme, who has a master's degree in behavioral analysis. Both are from the Child and Family Services branch of the Mental Health Center at Community Hospital. They will discuss how to motivate children to achieve in school.

Their talk begins at 7:30 p.m. in the school library. Admission is free. The event is sponsored by the school Early Childhood Education program.

Child care will be available.

Directors of CVPOA slate next meeting

The board of directors of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association is scheduled to meet Wednesday at 7:45 p.m. in the Carmel Valley Community Chapel in the Carmel Valley Village.

The agenda includes consideration of supporting the June 6 ballot measure to create a Peninsula-wide water management agency and time to hear reports about proposed developments including the Marriott Lodge and the Carmel Valley Ranch tennis club.

Babies

BOLTON

Candace and Michael Bolton of Carmel became the parents of a son, born Feb. 23 at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula.

The boy has been named Peter Michael Bolton. The parents live at Casa del Suenos.

ERICKSON

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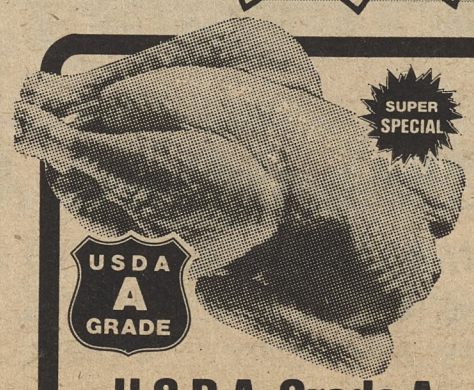

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